

House Resolution No. 1465

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of six and one-half wondrous decades has passed since Tom Kinkade lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Beryl Koestner, during a solemn ceremony on March 1, 1942, in Moberly, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Tom and Beryl Kinkade have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include one son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Elaine Kinkade; one granddaughter, Serena Kinkade; and one great-granddaughter, Eveanna Kinkade; and

Whereas, Tom Kinkade provided a comfortable home and secure future for his loved ones through his successful endeavors with the United States Postal Service in Vandalia, from which he retired as Postmaster in 1980; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Beryl Kinkade further distinguished herself by serving seventeen years as Librarian of the Audrain County Library in Vandalia prior to her retirement in 1980; and

Whereas, Tom and Beryl Kinkade derive a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through their affiliation with the first Presbyterian Church in Vandalia, a place of worship that has special meaning to them as cherished members and Deacons; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Kinkade of Vandalia commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Sixty-fifth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on March 1, 2007, at Tri-County Care Center:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Tom and Beryl Kinkade and in wishing them only the very best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kinkade, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Terry L. Witte
District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1465, adopted March 27, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker